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DETAILED ACTION

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1. This office action is responsive to the appeal brief received on 07/05/2007. Claims 42-65 are allowed. Claims 1-41 have been canceled.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 42-65 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The argument in the appeal brief is persuasive and prior art of record does not teach the combination of all features corresponding to each independent claim.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

CONTACT INFORMATION

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thuan Do whose telephone number is 571-272-1891. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8:30-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jack Chiang can be reached on 571-272-7483. The fax phone numbers for proceeding this application is 571 273-8300.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 800-786-9199.

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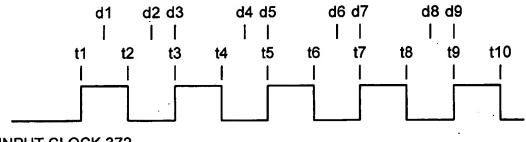


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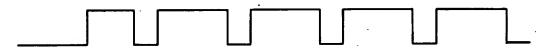
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